Subject: Re: Sepulveda Bl. Irrigation

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**Date:** 04/12/2013 08:28 AM

To: Lance Oishi <lance.oishi@lacity.org>

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Thank you Lance. I understand. We look forward to being able to help you on the Sepulveda medians north of Manchester soon. Great follow-up.

On Fri, Apr 12, 2013 at 8:10 AM, Lance Oishi < <a href="mailto:lance.oishi@lacity.org">lance.oishi@lacity.org</a> wrote: John/Don,

Just FYI regarding your inquiry about the median island irrigation system on Sepulveda N/O Manchester. I'll forward whatever report I receive from our landscape maintenance crews as soon as I receive it.

In talking to Dennis Wake, our Sr. Park Maintenance Supervisor, he explained to me that all of our Landscape Maintenance contracts lapsed a little more than 2 weeks ago. As such, none of the City's medians have received any attention for the past 2 1/2 to 4 1/2 weeks (depending on when they were last serviced before the contracts expired); Dennis estimates that it may be another 3 weeks (give or take a few) before a new contract is let for these maintenance needs.

Regarding the Tabebuias in the medians S/O Manchester, I drove down Sepulveda on my way back home from our meeting the other night, and noticed that the City of El Segundo has similar sized trees that appear to be Tabebuias in their Sepulveda medians and that El Segundo's trees are in a similar condition to those in the Westchester business corridor. i.e. whatever is afflicting our trees is also afflicting El Segundo's trees. As such, without stopping my car to truly investigate the matter further, I suspect that the younger trees are just taking a little longer to come out of their dormancy period than the larger trees. As I've noticed, the Tabebuia trees that are in full bloom right now are all more than twice as large and more mature/established trees versus those found in our medians.

Talk to you soon...

-Lance O.

------ Forwarded message -----From: **Dennis Wake** < dennis.wake@lacity.org > Date: Thu, Apr 11, 2013 at 1:50 PM

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To: John Arriola < <u>John.Arriola@lacity.org</u> > Cc: Lance Oishi < <u>lance.oishi@lacity.org</u> >

The Community group in the Westchester area was reporting that the irrigation system on the islands on Sepulveda Blvd., between Manchester Ave. and H. Hughes Drive were not operational and that the plant material was dying or stressed.

Have someone go out tomorrow and check all the islands at this location and submit the following information:

- 1. Watering time of each control clock.
- 2. Status of each island, confirm if the water is operational or if water is off at any spot.
- 3. Overall estimate of the plant material on each of the islands (OK, Stressed, dry, etc.).

Please respond back in the same e-mail. Lance is copied on this and he will respond back to the Community as soon as you submit this irrigation report.

Thanks,

**Dennis** 

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